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Application of: Hariprasad Sreedharamurthy, et al.
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For: CRYSTAL PULLER AND METHOD FOR GROWING
SINGLE CRYSTAL SEMICONDUCTOR MATERIAL
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AMENDMENT C

TO THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS,
Washington, D.C. 20231

SIR:

In response to the Office action mailed December 19, 2002,
please enter the following amendment:

IN THE CLAIMS:

B,
5 7 (amended). A crystal puller as set forth in claim 1
wherein the susceptor is constructed of at least two pieces, the
susceptor pieces generally abutting one another other along a
seam comprising a generally vertically extending segment within
the side wall of the susceptor.